



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

REGION I

J.F. KENNEDY FEDERAL BUILDING, BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02203-2211

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November 17, 1994

J.P. Mulcahy
CEO
Eveready Battery
Ralston Purina Company
One Checkerboard Square
St. Louis, MO 63164

Re: Meeting of Potentially Responsible Parties connected with
Bennington Landfill Superfund Site, Bennington, VT

Dear Mr./Ms. Mulcahy:

Your company or organization ("company") has received a notification of potential liability from the United States Environmental Protection Agency either recently in November, 1994 or previously in March, 1991. As was stated in that notification, EPA would like to encourage good faith negotiations between your company and the Agency, and among your company and other parties potentially responsible for the Site.

Your company will receive an additional notice in the spring of 1995 regarding negotiations to perform or finance design and implementation of the remedial action for the Site. In advance of that notice, EPA will be holding a meeting with all of the PRPs on Wednesday, December 14, 1994 at 10:00 am at EPA's office in Conference Rooms A & B, 11th Floor, at One Congress Street in Boston. In part, this meeting will be for EPA to provide your company with information about the remediation of the Site and the upcoming negotiations.

As was also stated in the notification your company received, EPA recommends that all potentially responsible parties ("PRPs") participate in a PRP steering committee which will function as a group representing and pursuing the interests of the PRPs. Some of the companies have formed a PRP steering committee which has been active in representing the interests of the PRPs to EPA. Please contact David Rosenblatt, Esq. at Burns & Levinson, 125 Summer Street, Boston, MA 02110 if your company would like to join the group or has questions concerning that process. In part, the meeting on December 14 will also be for the PRP steering committee to discuss its role in the upcoming negotiations and your company's participation in that process.



The notification sent this November contained a list of each company who received notification either in March, 1991 or November, 1994. However, because the companies who received notification in March, 1991 did not receive this information, EPA is attaching to this letter a list of the parties who received notice in November, 1994 (Enclosure A) and a list of the names and address of the companies who received notification in March, 1991 (Enclosure B).

This information is being provided as a discretionary release of information to the potentially responsible parties, and should not be disclosed further or made publicly available in any context unless your company is given prior approval by EPA.

If you have any questions concerning any matter discussed in this letter, please call me at (617) 573-5768, or have your attorney call Dan Winograd of our Office of Regional Counsel at (617) 565-3686.

Very truly yours,

Indira Balkissoon
EPA Remedial Project Manager

cc: Daniel Winograd, EPA Office of Regional Counsel
Hugh Martinez, EPA Office of Regional Counsel
Mark DiStafano, Office of Vermont Attorney General
Stanley Corneille, Vermont Remedial Project Manager

ENCLOSURE A

List of Names and Addresses of PRPs to whom the General Notice Letter was sent on 11/1/94.

Elizabeth Coleman
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Bennington College
Bennington, VT 05201

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Rutland, VT 05701

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Essex Junction, VT 05452

Walter Noyes
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Portland, ME 04104-5029

Jay Whitten
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P.O. Box 617
Bennington, VT 05201-0617

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Southwestern Vermont Med. Ctr.
100 Hospital Drive East
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President
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Lincoln, RI 02865

Raymond Prouty
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U.S. Tsubaki, Inc.
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Bennington, VT 05201

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Vermont Agency of Transp.
133 State Street
Montpelier, VT 05633-5001

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P.O. Box 135
Bennington, VT 05201

John Wilson
President
Wilson Trucking
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Pownal, VT 05261

* MOST CURRENT ADDRESS

ENCLOSURE B

List of Names and Addresses of PRPs to whom a General Notice Letter was sent to in March 1991.

Thomas Karazakis
President
ADD, INC.
Pennysaver Press
109 South Street
Bennington, VT 05201

Kenneth Olney
President
Arken Industries, Inc.
Morse Industrial Park
Bennington, VT 05201

Kelton Miller
President
Banner Publishing Corporation
425 Main Street
Bennington, VT 05201

M. Leonard Lewis
President
Ben-Mont Corporation
266 Beacon Street
Boston, MA 02116

Curtis L. Morin
President
Bennington Iron Works
Harmond Road
P.O. Box 798
Bennington, VT 05201

Richard H. Swenson
Bennington Potters, Inc.
324 County Street
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Bennington, VT 05201-0199

Bernard Bourgeois
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113 Adams Street
Bennington, VT 05201

David Van Sickle
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BIJUR Lubricating Corp.
50 Kocher Drive
Bennington, VT 05201-1994

Mortimer Krane
Catamount Dyers
4 Margaret Lane
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Bennington, VT 05201

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Ralston Purina Company
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St. Louis, MO 63164

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Stuart Hurd
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Town of Bennington
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Bennington, VT 05201

Sibley Mfg. Company
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Tarboro, NC 27886

Jack Sweet
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Bennington, VT 05201

Thomas Sweet
91 Oakes Street
Bennington, VT 05201

G-C-D-C, Inc.
c/o John H. Williams, II
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115 Elm Street
Bennington, VT 05201

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